



Southeast Financial Welcomes New-To-Market Law Firm

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Southeast Financial Center announced today that Bryan Cave LLP, a St. Louis based international law firm, signed a new lease for its 27th office nationwide, and first in Miami, at Southeast Financial Center for 10,015 square feet.

The 985-lawyer 2013 Am Law ranked firm opened its Miami office this month with two prominent Miami litigators: Pedro Martinez-Fraga serving as co-leader of Bryan Cave's international dispute resolution team and C. Ryan Reetz serving as office managing partner and hiring partner.

"The expansion of Bryan Cave into Miami represents one of several significant new to market tenants, which is indicative of an improving business economy," said Donald Cartwright, Senior Vice President with JLL, Inc. Cartwright along with JLL Vice President Nicole Vassilaros are the exclusive leasing agents for Southeast Financial Center. "The office location of choice for [DLA Piper](#), [Butler & Hosch](#) and now Bryan Cave – all law firms that have entered and committed to the Miami market in recent years – Southeast Financial Center has maintained its position in downtown Miami for providing quality space and service to some of the most renowned law firms in the U.S."

Andrew Easton, Associate with JLL's South Florida division, represented Bryan Cave on this transaction. "In addition to an impressive downtown Miami address, Bryan Cave was looking for immediate occupancy within the highest quality space available. Southeast Financial Center's leasing team offered a creative deal structure allowing Bryan Cave the option to move in quickly, ultimately sealing the deal," said Mr. Easton.

One of the major markets in the United States, Miami is particularly appealing to businesses and law firms due to its role as the U.S. gateway to Latin America. Local small to mid-sized firms are growing while national and global firms are compelled to open and expand Miami operations. The two largest office leases in Q4 2013, [Shutts & Bowen LLP's new lease for 69,155 square feet](#) – the largest for the year – and White & Case PA's renewal for 58,000, were both signed at Southeast Financial Center.



Bryan Cave is a leading business and litigation firm with global reach serving a diverse client base including businesses, financial institutions and non-for-profit organizations, government entities and individual clients. Ranking 46th on Am Law 200 in 2013, the firm operates 25 offices in seven countries around the world.

The number of law firm tenants at Southeast Financial Center including Bryan Cave has increased to 26, 14 of which are among the 350 largest law firms in the U.S., solidifying the building as downtown Miami's premium address for law firms. Through its commitment to aesthetic, environmental and technological excellence, Southeast Financial Center continues to attract and retain high-caliber tenants.